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Medicaid requires that all resources be maximized to the fullest extent possible before Medicaid will pay for services. Medicaid is the payer of last resort, except for the U.S. Public Health Service.

- Medicaid Manual, Section 5065.

The accurate completion of both the MED INS field on the Medical Insurance Budget Worksheet (MIBW) and the Third Party Resource (TPR) fields on the Medical Resource Information (MERI) screen is vital to the Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) when determining TPR coverage, the resource code and the type of coverage.

How can you help?

The MIBW screen was designed with a field titled MED INS. Medicaid subtypes, CP, H2 and S2, require the MED INS field to be completed before client processing on the MIBW can continue. To assist DMA in distinguishing the different types of TPR coverage and for accurate DMA reporting, a new code, OT, has been added for use in this field and the definition of Y has been changed.

Helpful Hints for Coding the MED INS field:

- Use N if there is no TPR or if the client only has Indian Health Service (PHS) coverage.
- If the client has TPR coverage other than PHS use the Y, GC or OT code as follows:
 - ⇒ Y is entered in this field when a client indicates there is TPR coverage and the type of coverage is either Hospital (HO) or Major Medical (MN).
 - ⇒ GC is entered in this field when a client has good cause for ending TPR coverage.
 - ⇒ The new code, OT, is entered if the TPR coverage is anything other than HO or MN.

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